

Clinical Ethics Consultation:

2. International Conference

Call for Abstracts

March 17th–20th, 2005, Basel, Switzerland

University of Basel, Main University Building, Petersplatz, Basel

Institute for Applied Ethics and Medical Ethics (IAEME), University of Basel, Medical Faculty, Department of Bioethics, Cleveland Clinic Foundation, Swiss Academy for Medical Sciences (SAMW)

You are invited to submit an abstract for presentation at the Second International Conference – Clinical Ethics Consultation that will be held on March 17th–20th, 2005 at the University of Basel, Switzerland. The special focus of this meeting is the assessment of the current state of the art and issues affecting ethics consultation. This call is for presentation of individual papers, panels, or case-focused discussions.

Appropriate topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

Clinical Ethics Consultation (CEC)

- Clinical Ethics Consultation in Patient Care;
- Recent Experiences with Developing Services;
- CEC in Various Clinical fields – Case reports
 - Methods of CEC – Research on CEC; empirical, conceptual – CEC with Patients/Families.

Ethics Policies

- Working with / Making Clinical Ethics Policies;
- Research on Policies; empirical, conceptual.

Ethics Committees

- Contributions of Hospital / Clinical Ethics Committees to patient care;
- Challenges facing Hospital / Clinical Ethics Committees, including resource utilization issues;
- Research on Committees; empirical, conceptual;
- Organizational Ethics.

Qualification

- Education requirements for entry into Ethics Consultant Role;
- Continuing Education programs and needs;
- Professional Roles in Clinical Ethics Consultation (Bioethicists, Physicians, Nurses, Others);
- Quality Assurance and improvement of Service/Evaluation.

Abstracts may be submitted for individual papers, panels, or case-focused discussions that address one or more of the above topics.

All submissions should include:

- title, category (individual paper, panel, case-focused discussion);
- abstract (500-word maximum) – word count;
- full name(s), affiliation(s) and e-mail/telephone of abstract author(s). Panels should provide names, affiliations and e-mail/telephone of all presenters.

All abstracts will be peer-reviewed by an international review committee. Please submit your abstract via e-mail to: aeme@unibas.ch

Due date: September 30, 2004

Further information about this meeting will be available in August 2004 on the website of the Institute for Applied Ethics and Medical Ethics: www.unibas.ch/aeme, on the website of the Department of Bioethics, Cleveland Clinic Foundation: www.clevelandclinic.org/bioethics/ as well as on the website of the Swiss Academy of Medical Sciences: www.samw.ch.